



# NEWS RELEASE

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United States Attorney Deborah Gilg and the FBI and the Omaha Nation Law Enforcement Services announce the following information for the attention of the media:

**Event Triggering this Release:**

Chief United States District Court Judge Joseph F. Bataillon sentenced Tracy Nowland to five years probation for her conviction of assault by striking and beating. Nowland was further ordered to pay restitution to the Indian Health Services Hospital in the amount of \$550.15.

On August 7, 2009, Nowland was watching television with three other persons in a home on the Omaha Indian Reservation when an argument broke out. Nowland claimed one of the other persons had hit her in the face so she went into the kitchen, grabbed a kitchen knife and struck the person in the chest with the knife. After striking the victim, the defendant put the knife on the floor and sat down and waited for the police to show up. The victim was not seriously injured.

**Name of Defendant:** Tracy Nowland

**AKA:**

**Age:** 49

**City of residence:** Walthill, Nebraska

**Crime(s) Charged and Potential Penalty** (A CHARGE is merely an accusation and every defendant is presumed innocent until and unless proven guilty): Assault by striking and beating in violation of 18 U.S.C. §113(a)(4). The maximum penalty is six months of imprisonment and/or a \$100,000 fine.

**Specific Location of Alleged Crime:** Walthill, Nebraska

**Location of Arrest:** Walthill, Nebraska

**Alleged Dollar Loss/Type and Quantity of Drug:**

**Others Charged in Same Scheme:**

**Relevant Dates:**

**Date of Alleged Crime:** August 7, 2009

**Federal Arrest Date:**

**Date Complaint Issued:**

**Indictment Returned Date:** October 21, 2009

**Initial Appearance Date:** November 12, 2009

**Plea or Trial and Date(s):** Plea to Information of Lesser Included Offense on 3/18/10

**Sentencing Date:** June 17, 2010

**Next Court Hearing Type and Date:**

**Assigned Magistrate Judge:** FA Gossett

**Held without Bond, or Released from Custody:** Released from custody

**In Continuous Custody Since:**

**Assigned District Court Judge:** Honorable Joseph F. Bataillion

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